104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 732

To amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to prohibit Members of Congress from receiving Federal workers' compensation benefits for injuries caused by stress or any other emotional condition, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 27 (legislative day, APRIL 24), 1995

Mrs. Boxer introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. LIMITATION ON WORKERS' COMPENSATION
- 4 CLAIMS BY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8101(5) of title 5, United
- 6 States Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 "(5) 'injury'—

"(A) includes, in addition to injury by accident, a disease proximately caused by the employment, and damage to or destruction of medical braces, artificial limbs, and other prosthetic devices which shall be replaced or repaired, and such time lost while such device or appliance is being replaced or repaired; except that eyeglasses and hearing aides would not be replaced, repaired, or otherwise compensated for, unless the damages or destruction is incident to a personal injury requiring medical services; and

"(B) shall not include, with respect to a Member of Congress, injuries or occupational diseases caused by stress or any mental or emotional condition.".

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act shall take effect 30
18 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall
19 apply only to claims filed under chapter 81 of title 5,
20 United States Code, on or after such effective date.

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